THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE D.S.R.VARMA
AND
THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE P.SWAROOP REDDY

TAKEN UP WRIT PETITION No.17334 OF 2006

Between:

Smt. Medapati Sridevi, W/o Lakshma Reddy, R/o G. Manidada, Pedapudi Mandal.

…Petitioner

AND

1.The Station House Officer, Karapa Police Station, Karapa, East Godavari District and five others.

….Respondents

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ORAL ORDER: **(per the Hon'ble Sri Justice D.S.R.Varma)**

Heard the learned Government Pleader for Home, representing the learned Advocate General, appearing for the respondents.

2. This writ petition is taken up on the basis of a 'Telegram', dated 09.08.2006, sent by one Smt. Medapati Sridevi W/o Lakshma Reddy, R/o G. Manidada, Pedapudi Mandal, East Godavari District, to the Hon'ble the Chief Justice, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, complaining that her husband by name Madapati Laxmareddy was arrested on 1.8.2006 by M.V.V. Jagan Mohan Rao, Sub-Inspector of Police, Karapa Police Station, East Godavari District, and tortured him for six days and that after his death in the custody, the police have been manipulating the records, in order to show the same as a suicide case.

3. On notice being issued, the Inspector of Police, Rural Circle, Kakinada, East Godavari District, filed a counter-affidavit. The substance of the counter-affidavit is that some trunks of question papers have been kept in the station and the deceased, who was in the custody of police, climbed upto the S.S.C. Question Paper trunks and committed suicide with the help of bed sheet provided to him by tying it to the ventilator by hanging himself.

4. This factual aspect cannot be gone into or any opinion can be expressed on either way by this Court.

5. Hence, we feel it appropriate to request the State Human Rights Commission to take up this case and, after investigation, necessary action may be initiated.

6. Accordingly, the Writ petition is closed, at the stage of admission, with a request to the State Human Rights Commission to take up the complaint of the petitioner and investigate into the

matter.

7. Registry is directed to communicate a copy of this order to the State Human Rights Commission.

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D.S.R.VARMA, J

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P. SWAROOP REDDY, J

Dated: 09.10.2006
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